



The Bride, Her Trousseau and Home

Text: "He that hath the bride is the bridegroom," John 3:29.

By E. C. CLARK, Editor

The Bride as here mentioned is none other than that blest company of disciples who had accepted the call of Jesus and became His followers. While many conclude that the Bride is a select company, which view is partly held by the writer, it is, however, only safe to maintain such a view as it is supported by the Holy Scriptures. Strictly speaking the Bride must be that same company as is espoused to the bridegroom; this company, according to 2 Cor. 11:2, is the Church itself. The apostle has referred to this same class in 1 Cor. 12th chapter as constituting the body of Christ, which is but another name for the Church. St. Paul has referred elsewhere to the Church as "a mystery," "which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit" (Eph. 3:5).

Again, he has used the analogy of marriage relationship of husband and wife, to properly set forth the true aspect of the Church (Eph. 5:21-33). What was of the apostle called "the body" in his letter to the Corinthian church, is here particularly mentioned as being "nourished and cherished" by the Lord, who is Head of the Church, V. 23-29. "For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones," V. 30. The explanation by the apostle to the

Corinthians and Ephesians, is itself identical. The one was "members of his bone and his flesh" while on the other hand the other was "the body of Christ and members in particular." The whole scope of the Christian Church is here represented; the unfavored Corinthians, rent by division and strife, are placed along side of and at par with the Ephesian church which had been blessed "with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places." There is no mistaking about who the Bride is, when we find the Church espoused as mentioned in 2 Cor. 11:2, and so accounted as the body of Christ as a result of that spiritual affinity and union with Him mentioned throughout the Holy Scriptures, over which He is Head. See 1 Cor. 12:12-27; Eph. 5:21-32.

The idea of a select company distracts from the purpose and action of the verb "ekklesia" as used for Church. Though used as a noun, it was originally and is yet significantly used as a verb, denoting by its own meaning an out-calling. Those who are out-called by the gospel and obey it, automatically become the true Ecclesia or Church, which is the espoused body over which Christ is Head. If after there has been an out-calling by the gospel, the terms and preparation of which qualify and make those who obey it members of the

body of Christ; does not the idea of a select company, which virtually means "an out-calling from among the out-called" or a church within a church" decidedly distract from the divine process mentioned in the verb used for ekklesia or church? It is like touching the ark of God to steady it or adding to the Word of God when we refuse to let the Word of God say what is the true meaning of what it has to say. It is true that Solomon, who was the prototype of Christ, had "threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number," S. Sol. 6:8. (Many authors think this a type of different companies found in the Bride.) However, the ninth verse follows to state that, "My dove, my undefiled is but one; she is the only one of her mother, She is the choice one of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; yea, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her." The latter is a reference to the Church. It is certain that there will be but one queen, one bride, and that she will not be a concubine, or one who has not conformed to the laws of the marriage vow, and further, that she will be undefiled and is therefore a virgin. With this idea the New Testament is in accord. 2 Cor. 11:2; Rev. 14:4. The dove, the undefiled, is the Church for which Christ gave Himself, "that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of

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NOTICES

On May 13 we expect to have a home coming at the church two miles northeast of Doddsville in Sunflower county. We are looking for Brother McClendon on that day, and all the laymen. Everybody come and bring a well filled basket.—George W. Hall, pastor, Ruleville, Miss.

We are going to have a home coming the fifth Sunday in April, the 29th, at Clarks Chapel. We will continue the services from Wednesday, the 25th, thru Sunday. We expect all of the church members who are away to come. We expect a great feast from the Lord. We invite all the churches of the district, and the neighboring districts, to come with their pastors. We will have all day service and dinner on the ground. Come, come, come.—O. Gregory, pastor, Rt. 1, Point, Tex.

The Brownfield church would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Brother M. E. Stovers. Please pray for Brother J. G. Stucker who has high blood pressure. — Your brother, Ray Rainwater.

We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Priscilla Hunnicutt, last heard of in Anderson, S. C. If not heard from by May 1st, her name will be dropped.—Ellen Hopkins, clerk of Church of God, East LaPort, N. C.

We will have home coming at the Church of God at Brilliant, Ala. the fourth Sunday in April, the 22nd. We expect our district pastor, Brother Bronkling, and some more of the good preachers, so you are invited to come, one and all. Bring a well filled basket of

good food. We will have all day service and dinner on the ground. Be sure and come and enjoy the good blessings of the Lord as we are looking for a great day.—G. W. Padgett, pastor.

This is to notify those it may concern that the Church of God building at Hope Mills, will be dedicated to the Lord the fifth Sunday in April. Our state overseer, Brother John L. Stephens, will preach the dedicatory sermon. The public is cordially invited to come and bring a well filled basket.—A. J. Butler, district pastor, Rt. 5, Dunn, N. C.

The Rocky Hill district convention will convene at Rocky Hill, Miss. April 20-22, beginning Friday

night. There will be dinner on the ground. Everybody is invited to come and bring a well filled basket, also an offering for the state overseer. Brother T. M. McClendon will be in charge.—John Burk, district pastor.

To the churches, ministers, and Sunday Schools in Virginia: This is to notify you that Brother J. H. Daniel, 1004 McDowell Ave., N.E., Roanoke, Va., has been appointed state superintendent of Sunday Schools. We ask each minister and Sunday School to cooperate with him in his work and boost the work in the state, for this is very much needed. He expects to have a state Sunday School convention, also district convention. You may
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Evangel Rally

While we did not obtain the desired number of new subscribers during the month of March, we did considerably increase the list of yearly subscribers to the Evangel. We are offering other premiums to those who work for the paper this month and will appreciate your co-operation in securing subscriptions to the paper. Come on and let us put the Evangel in every new home possible.

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1 John. 4:19-21, "We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also."

Some years ago I met a successful personal worker who seemed to possess great power with God and influence over those with whom they labored. One day I ventured to ask what was the secret of his success and spiritual power. He replied that it was the sweetness of God's love. This worker seemed to never tire in his efforts for the Lord and it was no trouble for souls to get through to the fulness of the blessing as he would labor in the altar and with souls in personal contact outside church services.

I believe that every life is molded and colored by some one simple thought or passion running thru it. All worldly and wicked lives are not molded in the same pattern and all religious lives are not fashioned on the same order. Every true child of God has all the graces of the Spirit, but these graces are not united in the same proportion in each case. The central current running through some Christian lives is courage, a bold vindication of truth. In others it is prudence, a careful and daily forethought. These will seem opposite to each other. In others it is faith. In some hope or expectation. Many other types might be sighted. In the case I have just referred to the entire life had been molded

on the pattern of love.

When believers are cleansed from inbred sin and filled with the abiding Comforter the leading characteristics of the individual are not destroyed but purified and wondrously intensified. In order to reach a life which may be filled with love there must be the introduction of divine love into the heart.

Love is of God. There are two words in the New Testament which are translated love, "philos" is love in its human, natural form, embracing and pervading all the relations of human life; the other one, "agape," is love in its divine and spiritual nature and is used only in a moral or religious sense. This love (agape) does not originate in man or nature, is not produced by development or culture. It is truly supernatural and divine. On condition of our repentance and faith Jesus the chief magistrate of humanity by virtue of His own death, forgives us our sins, blots out all our guilt, and sends the Holy Ghost to convert, to change our moral nature, giving us a new birth in our spirits, shedding abroad the divine love in our hearts. The strange feeling of inward tumult, alarm and distress of mind is unaccountably removed and in its stead is experienced the most delicious emotions of peace, tenderness, and good will to all men. There is not only an intellectual perception but a strangely sweet feeling, a heart consciousness that God is our Father. This is only the beginning of a real religious life.

The next step in order to reach a life characterized by the sweetness

of love is, the soul in which love has been planted must seek and find the perfecting of that love. God's love is not only moral but absolutely perfect. The term means that love (agape) in our hearts is made perfect. Even after we have experienced this love of God we will find things in our lives that are antagonistic to love. Love may control the heart and yet not have the glorious monopoly of the entire mind. These conditions are caused by the tempter who is trying to devour and ruin all those who are trying to reach perfect love. Some of the traits are love for human praise and honor, desiring to lay up treasures, murmuring and restlessness of heart, many things that a child of God may hate and yet he is brought face to face with these trials every day. The enemy is trying to bemuddle the stream of every religious life and yet God is able to keep us from everything that is wrong and would tend to destroy our peace. This perfect love in our hearts at times of trial still cries to the Father and tries to carry the unanimous and solid vote of the soul for Jesus and holiness at every petty or general election of the will. It is strange and yet it is true, the soul cannot settle down in pure homelike rest and peace but there is a continual war going on every day in our lives, molesting and disturbing the peace of the possessor. Only by prayer and consecration may we be able to purge and to keep pure our mind and heart. Perfect love does not consist in its age or volume, but in being freed from the collisions and antagonism of trials from the tempter. Entire purity of the heart is the only safe condition for the Christian, and this is a sure guarantee of our success in the Master's service.

Love is perfected when like a crystal stream of water there is no
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Notes from The Editor



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The Evangel drive during the month of March was the most successful the paper has had for now several years. A goodly number of subscriptions came in from all over the country, from rural churches along with the larger ones. We appreciate your effort, however, I really think we should do it over this month. The paper should go into many thousands of new homes. It will enliven and enlarge the spiritual understanding of the people. We are depending on pastors and evangelists to assist us in greatly increasing the circulation this year. It is your paper! It represents your cause in your church community. See special premiums for April only mentioned elsewhere in the Evangel. Single subscriptions \$1.25 per year, in clubs of three yearly subscriptions \$1.00 each.

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THE NATIONAL STUDENT LEAGUE

"Red Drive in Schools Bared as Plot to Establish Soviet Regime in U. S." Thus read the headlines in an article written by Earl Reeves in the Pittsburgh Sunday Sun-Telegraph, March 4, 1934. The article continues:

"The Communist forces are conducting an elaborate campaign to overthrow the government and establish a Soviet regime in the United States . . . A Communist drive to capture American youth, in our schools and colleges, has been sharpened during the past four weeks into a more effective tool of the Third International.

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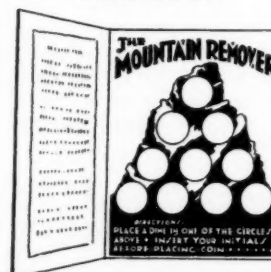
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THE PROVISIONS OF OUR ABIDING

At the heading of the 15th Psalm we find the caption, "David describeth a citizen of Zion," but we rather think that David is not only here describing a citizen of Zion but is also referring to terms and conditions upon which God guarantees the permanency of our citizenship. The entire chapter is in the form of a question and answer. V. 1, "Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?" Our reason for styling this as a Bible recipe is because of the fact that the remaining four verses seem to be God's answer to the question, with eleven divisions of the recipe in full, concluding with a very positive declaration, "He that doeth these things shall never be moved." Therefore, it is not only a Bible recipe but it is also one with an avowed guarantee.

Tabernacle

Means a repository for holy things, a small cell or receptacle to hold a holy or precious thing. "Repository," a place where things are stored, depository, storehouse.

Abide—Dwell

Neither the question nor answer is concerned with the provisions of gaining admittance into the tabernacle—house—fold of God, but to abide, dwell, remain there. As we see it, it is one thing to become a child of God but altogether another to continue as such, therefore, we have this question as it is. "Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?" With all due respect to any one holding to the saint security theory (for many of our own dear ones have lived and died in that faith), we consider it, along with one or two more doctrinal theories, the very acme of absurdity. Now we don't pretend to say that no one will be saved who ever fell short of any of these demands as they are outlined in these four verses, but we do say that no one need ever fear not making it thru as long as they are living accordingly. If one traveling should make inquiry relative to the way to some certain distant point, you no doubt would be able to refer him to cer-

tain state highway routes, positively guaranteeing him a safe arrival provided he strictly adhered to your routing, otherwise he would be taking chances. There might be many other routes and byway roads along the way, and too, one traveling might be led off on some of these side roads and finally, after much delay and inconvenience, make it in. However, after all, the way has been very difficult and chancy and one which no one could afford to even recommend, saying nothing about guaranteeing it. Even so it is with a Christian journey. There no doubt will be many saved who have taken many side roads and crossed and recrossed the main line, had flats and breakdowns, bogged up many times only to be pulled out and towed in to a nearby place for a reconditioning, finally—drive in. But, the question is not, "Lord, who may possibly be saved finally?" or, "Is it possible for one to get in, then out, and later in your tabernacle again?" but plainly, "Who shall abide there?" or in other words, Upon what condition and terms would you be willing to positively guarantee one's security? The answer (recipe) we have in the following: "He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart. He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor. In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoreth them that fear the Lord. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not. He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved." No doubt but that many can and do boast or lay claim to one or more of these eleven virtues that are here compounded together. Nevertheless, the guarantee is only in force and favor of them who are fully conceding. Each of these virtues is an incentive just as one evil is an incentive to another. The first three virtues, V. 2, make a demand with regard to our

Walk, Work, and Word

"He that walketh unrightly." At Gal. 6:16 Paul concludes with

this "And as many as WALK according to this rule, peace be on them and mercy * * *." Rom. 8:1, "There is therefore no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Eph. 2:10, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good WORKS, which God hath before ordained that we should WALK in them." Eph. 4:1, "WALK worthy of the vocation wherein ye are called." Eph. 5:15, "See that ye WALK circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise." 1 Thess. 4:1, "We beseech you * * * how ye ought to WALK and to please God." 2 Thess. 3:6, "* * * withdraw yourselves from every brother that WALKETH disorderly." Deut. 2:7 (unto Moses), "The Lord thy God hath blessed thee in all the WORKS of thy hand; he knoweth thy WALKING * * *." 1 Cor. 3:13, "Every man's WORK shall be made manifest." 2 Thess. 2:17, Paul's benediction to them was, that Christ should comfort and stablish their hearts in every good WORD AND WORK.

Considerate

Verse 3 deals with our consideration for others. "He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbor." These three conditions here referred to are very explicit and need no special interpretation. However, we will add this much, and that is, if there is a tint or tinge in one's heart against the final abode and destination of any other one, regardless of how detestable they appear to us at present, there certainly is something wrong with us that needs fixing and that quickly. Now that doesn't mean that we are to love and enjoy everybody as they are and as they are doing. No, not in the least. CONTEMPT is the seventh ingredient in this recipe. "In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he HONORETH them that fear the Lord." So here we readily see that both honor and contempt are a part of the makeup of God's unmovable man, honoring the godliness in some, at the same time condemning the iniquity in others.

Dependable

"He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not." Some people will do anything they have promised to do so long as it does not hurt or conflict with them in

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any way. Some people will promise to abide by the teachings of the Church when they come in, and that embraces paying tithes as well as many other things, and they will do it all right as long as they are not making anything, or even if it doesn't amount to any more than twenty or thirty cents now and then, say every two or three weeks, but if it gets above that it hurts and they take out there. Well, I hope all such folks see the error of their way and mend it and make it thru, and unless they do their route is very chancy. I've got my first one of that kind to see yet who isn't more or less all the time sidetracked or derailed or on a side road, with a puncture or a blow up, having to be jacked up and fixed, pumped up and towed over to the next revival. "Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is," 1 Cor. 3:13. To look on the scene of a very destructable fire, not a piece of furniture saved, the entire family barely escaped in their sleeping clothes, possibly a sheet or a bedspread snatched and thrown around them as they make their much appreciated escape, depicts to me an imaginary scene at the judgment bar of God (judgment of rewards).

Conclusion

Some might try to excuse themselves on the grounds of this lesson text being under the law, but we find a New Testament scripture running along parallel. Christ teaches also, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit * * *. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me * * *. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered: and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned." St. John 15th chapter.

Lord, What are the Terms of Our Abiding?

"He that doeth these things shall never be moved."

muddy infusions or disorder; it is transparent, clear and free. I do not mean to say that trial will not come to those who possess this perfect love. In all probability your trials will be greater but you have that within that will help you to overcome. I suppose that but few people ever reach that place in love service that thoroughly satisfies them, because they are continually reaching out after those who are perishing and their hearts are so taken up with the welfare of others until they can never be satisfied only in constant pursuit for service and helpfulness to others.

All higher ranges of love and faith and power and courage lie above the line of entire sanctification. Without passing into the state of Christian purity we need never expect to know much of the depth and power of holy love. Paul told the Thessalonians that God was willing to sanctify them holy though they had been formed in a church only about six months. All the growth and depth of piety lie beyond the line of crucifixion of self. In reaching a life of universal love we must deliberately and with a holy heart choose and cherish the spirit of love as the all-engrossing channel of aim of attainment.

Ever after the Jews had crossed the Jordan into the promised Canaan there was ample variety of possessions in mountain and vale, forest and pasture, seashore and sunny slope, all of which may typify the manifold phases of holy life developed beyond heart cleansing. God is delighted to have us forever exercise our free will in choosing the better and best so there is no point in grace or even glory where God has not in love provided ample space where we can be forever choosing between the excellent and the more excellent. There are many Christians who never choose beyond the positive degree. There are some who press after things better. There are a few who will never rest and will pay any price to reach the height and depth of God's blessed holy love. These are the crowning jewels of time and of heaven. A life filled and overflowing with God's blessed, sweet, holy love, will be a life crowned with success and glory, one that delights in service for the Lord. This is left for every individual to decide

as to the height and depth of love he may reach. It is for every one that will make the sacrifice and plunge into the service of the Lord with that determination and confidence that will take no denial. Their dreams, prayers, and study are all centered on being lost in love service. Do you so pant and thirst to have your whole being dipped in God's precious love that flows from the fountain from whence all joys and victories come? Are we entirely consumed in the thought of advancing God's kingdom and promoting His great cause on earth, and would we gladly yield up all other talents and graces, crowns and rewards in order to reach such a consummation?

This love is not understood by the world, neither is it understood by thousands of professed Christians. They do not understand what it means to have perfect love in their hearts, enlarging, overflowing and filling every fibre of their being. Love that presses us into service, that causes us to rejoice, takes charge of all the mental faculties, that sweet, holy current that runs thru the whole being. Love will help us to select our words, sometimes bursting forth with the praises of God, and again causing us to be silent. Love that will cause us to obey God in everything and yet will help us to select the very humblest and sweetest way of doing it. Love that controls all its points in the bosom and gives its sunshine to others. Love that can toil hard all day without appreciation or reward, except to sleep at night at the Savior's feet, that we may be refreshed and ready to put forth greater efforts for the comfort, welfare and salvation of others. Love that will cause one to appreciate their superior officers and be satisfied though apparently they are neglected. Love that will cause us to receive all strokes from the Father's hand and graciously thank Him for everything that will deepen us into God. Love that will sow seed amid pains and persecutions and cares, and that will willingly have others reap all the harvest and praise. Love that will cause us to seek after wicked souls and follow them to the gates of hell if needs be, that will cause us to reduce their

suffering and alleviate their pain. Love that studiously seeks to control itself and exhibit Jesus. Love that will exalt every art within its reach to populate heaven, to purify and brighten earth, and to diminish the sorrows of hell, and ask no pay except a larger increase of love. These may seem like hard sayings, the test may seem severe, but remember that so long as we persist in keeping in the middle of this stream of love, we can never touch the hard shores and sharp points of severity. Jesus said if we suffer with Him we shall also reign with Him.

The question is asked, What is love? It is a natural passion inclining us to delight in an object, a gracious principle wrought in the soul by God which causes us to delight in sacrifice and service for Him. It also causes us to enjoy an interest in God's favor. I never felt in all my life so impressed to call upon our people for a deeper consecration and a greater sacrifice on our part for the salvation of the lost, for more love one for another, so that we may be ready when Jesus comes. May God help us to be a bright light and a greater blessing to all with whom we come in contact.

REPORT OF ELDORADO, ILL. DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Eldorado district convention was held at Carrier Mills Feb. 16-18. Brother J. P. Hughes, our district overseer, had a well arranged program on hand. The Lord was with us. At the very first service on Friday we were made to feel at home with Brother J. Yates' welcome address. Brother George responded to the welcome and spoke of the heavenly feast we had all come prepared to partake of.

Saturday morning saw quite a number out for the opening of the convention by our state overseer, Brother T. L. McLain. It seemed like every one was glad to be in the service. The presence of the Lord was sweet to our souls. Brother J. Milligan's message was a timely one. The afternoon service was one upon which the Holy Ghost set His approval. The band boys from Eldorado were there and gave us some fine music. A wonderful message was brought to us by Sister Barbara King. Brother W. Anderson followed with a good message. The Holy Ghost took charge of the

service at this time. It surely was a sacred time. We knew the Lord was well pleased with the service.

Saturday night the church was crowded and many were on the outside who could not get in. The male quartet and mixed quartet from Eldorado were there and rendered some fine singing. Sister Lora McLain conducted the testimony service. The Bible says, "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so." It seemed like most of the people had been redeemed from the hand of the enemy by the good, inspiring testimonies we heard. The Y. P. E. was represented by Sister Daisy Totaro. We are proud of our young people in this district. Brother Herman Turner gave us a fine message which made us see and feel the need of staying full of the Holy Ghost for the time when Jesus would come for His Bride is at hand. An altar call was made and after prayer we were dismissed.

Sunday being the last day of the convention we had a large crowd from the first service. After Sunday School, songs, and prayer, Brother McLain gave a wonderful address on "Co-operation of the church and pastor." No message could have been in a better time and place. The Lord surely gave the words to Brother McLain.

The afternoon service was for the report of the churches by their pastors. A short mission talk was given by Brother J. P. Hughes and an offering was taken for missions. It certainly was a successful convention and we feel strengthened in our souls since being there. Pray for us in the Eldorado district. We mean to progress in every direction here. — Yours in His service, Elizabeth Patterson.

DORA-BIRMINGHAM Y. P. E. CONVENTION

The Dora-Birmingham Y. P. E. convention convened at Dora Feb. 25. Brother E. M. Smith, state superintendent, was in charge. The music was beautifully rendered with Sister Vivian Adams at the piano and Sister Shelflet directing. The Adamsville quartet gave many selections. The Harmony Three also gave selections. A morning praise service was led by Brother Virgil Smith. We had a round table discussion on "Sanctification" after which Brother Harmon preached on this subject. God showed His approval by a message in tongues.

A healing service followed. Songs were intermingled. Dora Y. P. E. gave a sweet play entitled "The Value of One Soul." Brother Mike Stevens gave a bass solo accompanied by his sister, Willa Mae, at the piano. Margaret and Elizabeth Clark rendered a sweet duet. We were dismissed for lunch at 11:55 a. m.

At 1:15 p. m. Sumiton brought us a program. Bud Robbins, their president, gave the opening talk. The Juniors gave a program. Their Y. P. E. quartet sang for us. We also had the pleasure of listening to the Sumiton band intermingled with songs. We want to make special mention of Sister Idabell Lawson who sang with such a beautiful voice. At 2:50 a report from the acting state secretary, Evelyn MacMillan, was followed by a selection by the Adamsville quartet. Brother Thomas Evans brought a very instructive and helpful sermon. The evening service was given over to evangelistic work, with songs, prayers, and a sermon by Brother Ernest Wilson. After an altar service the meeting was brought to a close. The Y. P. E. workers went home with a greater determination to live closer to the Lord and work hard for Him. Let Alabama have a one hundred per cent Y. P. E. — Evelyn MacMillan.

SPECIAL

MILTON, W. Va.—We started a revival again Jan. 1, 1934 and are truly glad to report great victory. The Lord certainly has blessed in a mighty way. The Lord sent Sister Rose Lucia from Akron, Ohio. She had just closed a revival at Shrewsbury, W. Va. The Lord gave her great victory there. So far in the meeting here nine have been saved, seven sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost and God is still blessing. We surely do appreciate having Sister Rose with us. She renders special music and singing each night which is enjoyed by all and the power surely does fall for which we thank the Lord. Her preaching is enjoyed much by all. The Lord surely does use her and anoints her in a mighty way. Continue to pray for this revival that God will bless and give souls. We have a very large attendance. We also enjoyed having Brother and Sister Meade of St. Albans with us.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Olive Worley.



In Foreign Fields



GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD

J. H. INGRAM, E. W. WILLIAMS, Mission Editors

All Material for this Department should be sent to E. C. Clark, Mission Secretary.

THE OBSERVATIONS OF UNCLE BARAK

By James M. Spencer

Introduction and closing remarks by J. H. Ingram.

Introduction: Uncle Barak who is a farmer, and, judging from the broken English employed in the following, is a gentleman of German extraction, and being a Christian at heart, he of course proceeds to give the tenth of his bumper crop—which he has just harvested—to the Lord. But before paying his tithes he decides to make some personal observations, and so he seats himself before a table on which rests a pile of potatoes, ten in number, representing the whole of his income from this source. First, he secures two large pins, the first one having a sign attached which reads, "The Lord's." This pin he sticks into one potato, setting it to one side, while the other pin with a sign reading "My own" was stuck into the pile containing the other nine potatoes. Then perhaps he strokes his chin whiskers for a moment while he thinks, with his left hand extended and resting upon the nine potatoes; another moment of silence as he leans forward and while he rests his right forearm upon the table, he says, "Vun lone tater out of ten! Vy gootness me, how can a man be mean enough to gif less?"

God's Tenth

Nine parts for thee, and one for me,
Nine for earth and one for heaven
The nine are thine, the one is mine.
But oh how slowly given!
In gospel land thy life is spanned
With all Christ's blessing o'er thee,
While o'er the earth without new birth
Lost millions sink before thee.
They sink to hell while thou canst tell
The glorious gospel story,
For from the gold which thou dost hold
My tithe could bring them glory.

Ten parts for thee and none for me,
All for earth and none for heaven,
For from thy gold which thou dost hold
My tithe thou hast not given.
No souls for thee, no souls for me,
All for hell and none for heaven!

For from thy gold which thou dost hold
My tithe thou hast not given.

Closing Remarks

Every one who is engaged in gainful employment or has any source of income, owes the tenth to God to be used in the furtherance of His kingdom in the earth. It makes no difference whether we may be a born-again Christian or not as it is a duty enjoined upon all alike, since He blesses all in temporal things, "sending rain upon the just and the unjust," and to begin with God allowed man to decide the amount he wished to set apart for religious work (Gen. 28:20-22) and ever since that day He has blessed the tithe payers in a special way it seems. Many of our readers can vouch for this, yes, thousands of them.

Our people as a general rule have been tithe payers and God has blessed us, but it may be some few have been a little slack on this line. If so, let us bestir ourselves as we need to spread out more with the work as we are nearing the end of the age and man's work will soon be done. God bless you as you tithe and give to His cause. Barak means "thunderbolt, lightning." If not already one, let us decide from this time on we will all be Baraks and then we can wreak such havoc in the camp of the enemy he will think thunder and lightning has struck for sure.

MISSION FINANCIAL REPORT

January, February, March
1934

E. J. Boehmer, General Sec. Treas.

Waycross, Ga. 78c; Crumleys Chapel, Ala. \$3.51; Largo, Fla. \$4.15; Cramerton, N. C. \$1.89; Canton, N. C. \$1.00; Carson Springs, Tenn. 45c; Hudson, Fla. 82c; Boaz, Ala. 30c; Cincinnati, Ohio, \$4.15; Pratt City, Ala. \$5.91; Williston, Fla. 32c; Forrest City, Ark. 32c; Eldorado, Ill. \$5.80; Lester, W. Va. \$1.54; Petersburg, W. Va. \$1.50; Edna Allred, N. C. (Spec. for Mexico), 82c; Middletown, Ohio, \$3.46; Jonesboro, Ala. 90c; Bedford, Va. 50c; Campaign, Tenn. \$1.10; Clearwater, Fla. \$1.05; Baltimore, Md. (Spec. for Mexico), \$2.00; Baltimore, Md. (Spec. offering), \$1.15; Baltimore, Md. \$2.16; Hickory, N. C. 10c; Imboden, Ark. 16c; Lando, S. C. 30c; Slater, S. C. 22c; Lowe, W. Va. 60c; Lacoochee, Fla. \$1.01; Bon Air, Tenn. \$1.65; Seaford, Del. 23c; Boswell, Pa. 96c; Huntington, W. Va. \$1.55;

Shawneetown, Ill. 08c; Lubbock, Texas, 07c; Anawalt, W. Va. 25c; Chattaroy, W. Va. \$1.00; Shannon, Ga. 53c; Lavonia, Ga. 07c; Miami, Fla. \$4.52; Brindleys Chapel, Tenn. 32c; Echola, Ky. 06c; Odesa, Ga. \$1.00; Granite Falls, N. C. 37c; E. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$11.50; Concord, N. C. \$1.37; Broad Creek, N. C. \$1.10; Linden, Fla. 12c; West St. Louis, Mo. 50c; Mrs. Julia Douglas, Fla. (Spec. for Mexico), \$1.00; Key West, Fla. 70c; Tampa, Fla. \$2.20; Schoolfield, Va. \$1.00; S. Lebanon, Ohio, 36c; Glad City, Pa. 16c; Kermit, W. Va. 35c; Marked Tree, Ark. \$1.00; Wichita Falls, Tex. \$1.25; Banning, Ga. 75c; Great Falls, S. C. 76c; Columbus, Ga. 19c; Mallory, W. Va. 99c; Thomas-ton, Ga. \$1.00; Bowling Green, Fla. 21c; Washington, N. C. 50c; Alton, Fla. 66c; Selma, N. C. \$1.72; Lexington, N. C. 85c; Winnsboro, S. C. \$1.50; Lannius, Tex. 18c; Cave City, Ark. 24c; Lake Worth, Fla. \$1.86; Deerfield, Va. 50c; New Martinsville, W. Va. 40c; Belfast, Me. 50c; Tarpon Springs, Fla. \$3.31; Willis Branch, W. Va. 80c; Lancaster, Ohio, 59c; Ranger, Tex. 95c; Valdeese, N. C. \$1.50; Lakeland, Fla. \$4.08; Macon, Ga. 41c; Columbus, Ga. 35c; Wills Point, Tex. 42c; Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. \$1.03; Gainesville, Fla. 90c; Wilbur, W. Va. 50c; Blue Diamond, Ky. \$2.27; Alabama City, Ala. \$6.38; High Spire, Pa. 72c; Belmont, N. C. \$1.50; Bartow, Fla. 86c; Hattiesburg, Miss. \$6.01; Manatee, Fla. \$3.68; Arcadia, Fla. 82c; LaBelle, Fla. \$3.00; Perry, Fla. \$2.03; Stafford, Fla. 45c; Cortez, Fla. 26c; Adamsville, Ala. \$1.00; Paris, Tex. 44c; Ft. Meade, Fla. 98c; Leachville, Ark. 17c; Kannapolis, N. C. \$2.00; Somers-et, Pa. \$3.32; Walhalla (country), S. C. \$1.00; Honea Path, S. C. 68c; Ft. White, Fla. \$1.21; Bristol, Tenn. 74c; Lanett, Ala. 57c; Pontiac, Mich. 75c; Carbon, Ind. 50c; Parkersburg, W. Va. 66c; Leadwood, Mo. 26c; Joplin, Mo. 57c; John H. Jones, Fla. 21c; St. Petersburg, Fla. \$1.62; Eccles, W. Va. 80c; Langley, S. C. \$1.34; Warrenville, S. C. \$1.51; Olustee, Fla. \$2.02; Jennings, Fla. 47c; Avon Park, Fla. \$3.19; Pelzer, S. C. \$3.09; Blanton's Grove, Ga. \$1.20; Shelby, N. C. 62c; Chokoloskee, Fla. \$1.83; E. Tallassee, Ala. 90c; J. B. Weeks, Ga. 89c; Riviera, Fla. \$1.25; Mrs. Ed Gilbert, W. Va. 50c; S. S. Buhl, Ala. 40c; Toledo, Ohio, \$1.60; Brantford, Fla. \$1.03; Sebewa, Mich. 46c; A. S. Eason, Okla. 30c; Zellwood, Fla. 87c; Melrose, N. Mex. 11c; Edinburg, Tex. 50c; B. T. S. Cleveland, Tenn. (Spec. for Ingram), \$18.00; Wahpeton, N. Dak. \$1.00; Elkins, W. Va. 97c; Williamstown, W. Va. 27c; W. Junction, Ohio, 68c; Springvale, Ohio, 93c; Thomasville, Ala. 46c; Greenwood, S. C. \$1.16; Sulphur Springs, Fla. \$3.00; Auburndale, Fla. 56c; Wellston, Ohio, \$1.14; N. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$4.61; Mobeetie, Tex. \$3.25; Benndale, Miss. \$5.00; Cottonwood, Tex. 06c; Eldorado, Md. 32c; Coffeyville, Kans. 63c; Selman City, Tex. 23c; Salem, W. Va. \$1.03; Townsville, S. C. 10c; Shepherds Fold, La. \$2.42; Wimauma, Fla. \$1.64; Ryder, N. Dak. \$1.93; Lignite, N. Dak. 50c; Shady Grove, Miss. 44c; Sharps Tabernacle, La. \$1.28; W. Asheville, N. C. \$1.40; Archer's Fork, Ohio, 81c; Mt. Olive,

Tenn. 69c; Christian, W. Va. 35c; Greensboro, N. C. \$3.22; Markleysburg, Pa. \$2.55; Josephs Chapel, Miss. \$1.23; Mineral Wells, Tex. 40c; Crown, W. Va. \$1.41; Dillon, S. C. 64c; Pittsburg, Kans. 48c; Holmes Valley, Fla. 55c; Plaza, N. Dak. 31c; Portland, Me. \$1.15; Kentwood, La. 36c; Mrs. C. L. Waldron, Tex. 40c; Carmi, Ill. 30c; Shady Grove, Ark. 48c; Walhalla (country), S. C. 51c; Dunlow, W. Va. 57c; Ella Mae Gaines, N. H. 50c; St. Luke, Md. 50c; New Bethlehem, Pa. 18c; Earle, S. C. 20c; Bedico, La. 34c; Electra, Tex. \$1.38; Williamsburg, Pa. \$1.58; Jasper, Fla. \$2.05; Claysville, Pa. 72c; Canton, Ohio, \$1.12; McColl, S. C. 60c; Grand Ledge, Mich. \$1.36; Easton, Md. \$1.35; Carrier Mills, Ill. \$1.50; Lawrenceville, Ill. 97c; Shrewsbury, W. Va. 27c; Marion, N. C. \$1.00; Flint, Mich. 42c; Harrisburg, Pa. 62c; Carrie Kalb, Me. 32c; Long Beach, Calif. \$1.32; White Cloud, Mich. \$1.18; Brownfield, Tex. \$1.37; Jai. N. Mex. \$1.36; Crum, W. Va. 63c; Ft. Mill, S. C. 55c; Vero Beach, Fla. \$1.40; Ruskin, Fla. 58c; Ft. Myers, Fla. \$5.60; Belton, S. C. \$1.71; Somerset, Ky. \$1.23; Cherokee Falls, S. C. 60c; T. H. Miller, Fla. 50c; Tarboro, N. C. 69c; Big Springs, Tex. \$1.13; Kathleen, Fla. 60c; Roanoke, Va. \$3.57; Mrs. J. J. Stuart, W. Va. 32c; Vicksburg, Mo. 15c; Lawistown, Mont. \$1.91; Wake Forest, N. C. 42c; Brooksville, Fla. 80c; Zora McClure, Shooting Creek, N. C. \$5.00; McClenny, Fla. 53c; Lake City, Fla. 61c; Henrietta, Tex. \$1.00; Fannie Duncan, Va. 50c; Graham, Tex. 94c; LaFayette, Ga. \$1.26; McIntyre, Ga. 74c; Canton, Ohio, \$1.83; Surrency, Ga. 37c; Marietta, Ohio, 50c; Detroit, Mich. \$1.99; Blacksburg, S. C. \$2.07; Big Timber, Mont. 79c; Ladonia, Tex. 15c; Dayton, Ohio, 87c; Cambridge, Md. \$4.58; Orlando, Fla. \$3.19; Shelburn, Ind. \$2.43; Faxon, Okla. 26c; Hiwassee, Tenn. 30c; Buford, Ga. 71c; Blythe, Calif. \$3.50; Fannie Duncan, Va. \$1.50; E. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$6.82; Norristown, Pa. \$9.00; Carlsbad, N. Mex. 11c; Manns Choice, Pa. \$1.00; Reading, Pa. 60c; Urbana, Ill. 38c; Lawton, Okla. 23c; Freedom, Ky. 25c; Crystal River, Fla. \$2.28; Plaza, N. Dak. \$4.00; Lake Wales, Fla. \$1.45; Thomasville, N. C. \$1.50; Fred Zaukeliss, Orange V., Mich. \$2.00; Homer-ville, Ga. 85c; Lacochee, Fla. \$3.13; Monroe, Va. \$4.14; Barrett, Minn. \$1.80; Kalamazoo, Mich. \$2.00; Carbon, Ind. 45c; Lanett, Ala. 68c; Mrs. F. A. Smith, Arcadia, Fla. \$1.00; Concord, N. C. \$1.00; Ft. Myers, Fla. \$4.10; Letcher, Ala. 65c; Gasparilla, Fla. 65c; Draper, N. C. 50c; White Cloud, Mich. \$3.00; Desdemona, Tex. 23c; Jacksonville, Fla. \$4.19; Pulas-ki, Va. \$4.75; Mrs. Delta Purdue, Candler, N. C. \$25.00; Uhrichsville, Ohio, \$3.75; Y. P. E. Uhrichsville, Ohio, 36c; Belpre, Ohio, 34c; Mt. Olive, Tenn. \$1.00; Clearwater, Fla. \$3.50; Thomasville, N. C. 35c; Thomasville, N. C. 52c; Greensboro, N. C. \$1.22; Ft. White, Fla. \$1.88; Williston, Fla. \$1.76; Bushnell, Fla. 45c; St. Petersburg, Fla. \$1.38; Broad Creek, N. C. 40c; Biltmore, N. C. \$1.87; E. Laport Cullo-pher, N. C. 01c; Bon Air, Tenn. 45c; Poplar Grove, Ark. 40c; Parkersburg, W. Va. 57c; Clinton, S. C. 50c; Hickory,

N. C. 10c; Carson, Springs, Tenn. 55c; Cincinnati, Ohio, \$3.26; H. A. McNemar, 50c; Wake Forest, N. C. 46c; Belmont, N. C. \$1.30; Canton, N. C. 30c; West Helena, Ark. 75c; Middleton, Ohio, \$2.19; Mooresville, N. C. \$1.68; Aaron, Ga. 10c; Forest City, Ark. 28c; Boynton, Pa. 71c; Echols, Ky. 06c; Arcadia, Fla. \$1.53; Flat Rock, N. C. 25c; Washington, N. C. 50c; Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. \$2.00; Williamson, W. Va. \$2.00; Leachville, Ark. 09c; Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. \$1.00; Myersdale, Pa. 16c; Pelzer, S. C. \$1.23; Pontiac, Mich. \$1.10; Honea Path, S. C. 54c; Belton, S. C. 94c; Greenwood, S. C. 74c; Lannius, Tex. 51c; Hartwell, Ga. 05c; Key West, Fla. 55c; Wauchula, Fla. 50c; Wilcoe, W. Va. 13c; Anawalt, W. Va. 09c; Kellysville, W. Va. 29c; Coffeetown, Kan. 67c; Bowling Green, Ky. \$2.59; Roswell, N. Mex. 25c; Dillon, S. C. \$1.14; LaBelle, Fla. \$2.20; St. Luke, Md. 28c; Marion, N. C. 57c; Port Arthur, Tex. \$1.33; LaBelle, Fla. 41c; Kentwood, La. 24c; Wills Point, Tex. 62c; Radford, Va. 50c; Lubbock, Tex. 07c; Plaza, N. Dak. 21c; Brighton, Mo. 40c; Carrollton, Ga. 40c; W. St. Louis, Mo. 50c; Easton, Md. \$1.23; Cambridge, Md. \$1.47; Cave City, Ark. 35c; Barnardsville, N. C. 75c; Knoxville, Tenn. \$2.00; Lynchburg, Va. \$1.29; Docena, Ala. \$1.17; W. Frankfort, Ill. \$1.33; Linden, Fla. 15c; Largo, Fla. \$4.52; Carmi, Ill. 05c; Cherokee Falls, S. C. 60c; Blue Diamond, Ky. \$1.57; Trafford, Ala. 50c; Earls Grove, Tenn. \$1.10; Williamsburg, Pa. \$1.52; Valdese, N. C. \$1.11; Reading, Pa. 82c; Adamsville, Ala. \$1.00; Deerfield, Va. 18c; Hebron, N. Dak. 15c; Hebron, N. Dak. 28c; Dunlap, Tenn. 50c; Benndale, Miss. 61c; Macon, Ga. 35c; Mary Weeks, Bogue, N. C. \$1.00; Holly Grove, Ark. 20c; Electra, Tex. \$1.08; Big Timber, Mont. 99c; Okeechobee, Fla. \$1.84; Bancroft, Tenn. \$1.00; Auburndale, Fla. 15c; Highspire, Pa. \$1.00; Peters, W. Va. \$1.68; Glad Valley, S. Dak. \$4.45; Herring Tabernacle, Ala. 85c; Joplin, Mo. \$1.20; Lignite, N. Dak. 65c; Mr. and Mrs. Danie Kaucher, Ind. \$3.10; Pineola, N. C. 04c; Cortez, Fla. 20c; Union, S. C. 93c; S. Lebanon, Ohio, 67c; Big Springs, Tex. 82c; E. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$2.59; Isban, W. Va. 26c; H. B. Magee, Miss. 50c; Blacksburg, S. C. \$1.77; Ft. Worth, Tex. \$5.14; Dunn, La. 37c; Graham, Tex. 32c; Bedico, La. 18c; Double Springs, Ala. 08c; Claysville, Pa. \$1.80; Somerset, Pa. \$2.60; Charlotte, N. C. \$2.33; Tampa, Fla. \$2.42; Chauncey, Ill. \$1.07; Carlsbad, N. Mex. 17c; Belfast, Me. 25c; Uhrichsville, Ohio, \$1.03; Philadelphia, Pa. 75c; Erwin, N. C. \$3.08; Bridgeford, Ga. 23c; Willis Branch, W. Va. \$1.24; Sulphur Springs, Fla. \$2.30; W. Asheville, N. C. \$1.00; Oak Grove, Ala. 35c; Eldorado, Md. 28c; Moultrie, Ga. 50c; Potosi, Mo. \$1.25; Clarksburg, W. Va. \$2.50; E. Tallassee, Ala. 84c; Oak Grove, Miss. \$2.04; Brownfield, Tex. \$1.00; Ft. Meade, Fla. 75c; Coconut Grove, Fla. \$3.02; Miami Dist. Convention, Fla. \$27.69; Wilbur, W. Va. 50c; Dora, Ala. \$1.05; Bartow, Fla. 74c; Vero Beach, Fla. \$2.08; Toledo, Ohio, \$1.30; Cantwell, Mo. \$3.61; Paris, Tex. 13c; Olustee, Fla. \$2.07; Gasparilla, Fla. \$2.29; Elizabethton, Tenn. \$1.15; Urbana, Ill. 25c; Crisfield, Md. \$2.15; Ft. Green Springs, Fla. \$2.96;

Elkins, W. Va. 11c; Reform, Ala. 20c; Thomasville, Ala. 56c; Rock Hill, S. C. \$5.50; Jasper, Fla. \$2.36; Tarpon Springs, Fla. \$2.14; Lando, S. C. 33c; Lawrenceville, Ill. 95c; Rock Hill, Miss. 10c; Cedar-town, Ga. \$1.20; Columbia, S. C. \$3.15; Gainesville, Fla. 87c; Wahpeton, N. Dak. 85c; Markleysburg, Pa. \$2.07; Lancaster, Ohio, 64c; Walhalla, S. C. 59c; Savannah Branch, La. 29c; Portland, Me. \$1.24; Joliet, Mont. 17c; Hattiesburg, Miss. \$4.30; Granite Falls, N. C. 35c; Kathleen, Fla. 84c; McColl, S. C. 47c; Bayard, W. Va. \$1.07; Warrenville, S. C. \$1.40; Lang-ley, S. C. \$1.84; Marietta, S. C. 40c; Columbus, Ga. 17c; Cramerton, N. C. \$2.67; Jonesboro, Ala. \$1.10; Bristol, Tenn. 52c; Tarboro, N. C. 80c; G. W. Hunnings, N. C. 40c; Banning, Ga. \$1.00; Highway, Ala. 53c; Shannon, Ga. 31c; Corono, Calif. \$1.56; Riviera, Fla. \$1.19; Dist. Con-vention, Lakeworth, Fla. \$12.24; Edinburg, Tex. 75c; Earl, S. C. 08c; Avon Park, Fla. \$1.11; Walhalla, S. C. \$3.00; Manatee, Fla. \$3.26; Baltimore, Md. \$1.41; Helican, Ala. \$1.50; Lowe, W. Va. 72c; Kermit, W. Va. 30c; A. Holmes, Goin, Tenn. \$2.00; Crane Eater, Ga. 36c; Hollywood, Ga. 35c; Potash, Ala. \$1.00; Reckford, Jamaica, 01c; Ross Tab., Jamaica, 07c; Bethel View, Jamaica, 01c; Kingston, Jamaica, 44c; Deavon, W. Va. 34c; Ravenna, Ky. \$2.06; Leadwood, Mo. 75c; Zion Ridge, Ala. 87c; Eldorado, Ill. \$4.57; Joliet, Mont. 12c; Lavonia, Ga. 04c; Crown Hill, W. Va. \$1.35; Lexington, N. C. 63c; Gar-ri-son, W. Va. \$1.40; Kannapolis, N. C. \$2.00; Bogalusa, La. 17c; Big Island, Mo. \$2.05; Seaford, Del. 19c; Melrose, N. Mex. 25c; LaFayette, Ga. \$1.00; Plant City, Fla. \$1.00; Vester Leatherly, Pa. 53c; Long Beach, Calif. 70c; Wimauma, Fla. \$1.73; Imboden, Ark. 06c; Sister A. R. Maple, W. Va. \$2.00; Metz, W. Va. 50c; Salem, W. Va. \$1.18; Detroit, Mich. \$1.69; Carrier Mills, Ill. \$1.06; New Bethlehem, Pa. 16c; Rock Hill, Fla. 75c; Ladonia, Tex. 15c; Logan, W. Va. \$1.60; Lester, W. Va. \$1.75; Milton, W. Va. 45c; Bran-ford, Fla. 35c; S. St. Joseph, Mo. 50c; Lake Wales Dist. Convention, Fla. \$21.47; Mary Tidwell, Miss. 15c; Newbern, Va. 53c; Wilcox, Fla. 56c; Long Beach, Calif. \$1.80; Alcoa, Tenn. 67c; N. Chattanooga, Tenn. \$4.28; Buford, Ga. 76c; Jack-sonville, Fla. \$3.45; Shrewsbury, W. Va. 30c; Boswell, Pa. \$1.12; Lakeworth, Fla. \$2.23; Dist. Con., Ft. Myers, Fla. \$20.42; Norristown, Pa. \$1.26; Midvale, Ohio, 38c; Mi-ami, Fla. \$3.74; Marked Tree, Ark. 36c; Townsend, Tenn. \$1.10; Orlando, Fla. \$3.31; Draper, N. C. 58c; Fairview, Ga. 10c; Evening Shade, Ark. 10c; Pittsburg, Kans. 38c; Marietta, Ohio, \$1.04; Kings-ton, Jamaica, 40c; Red Hill, Miss. 25c; Crystal River, Fla. 76c; Archibald, La. 38c; Mission Band, Bunker Hill, S. C. \$1.06; Weatherford, Tex. \$1.45; Lake-land, Fla. \$3.83; Daisy, Tenn. 90c; Lewis-town, Mont. 86c; Andrew, N. C. 30c; W. Frankfort, Ill. District Convention, \$3.13; Virginia Martin, Taylor, Mo. \$5.40; Rock Hill, S. C. District Convention, \$19.84; Lachoochee, Fla. \$2.87; Phenix, Md. 18c; Lake Wales, Fla. \$1.44; Lake City, Fla. \$1.23; East Chattanooga,

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The Bride, Her Trousseau and Home

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water by the word; that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish," Eph. 5:26, 27. The select company referred to by many ministers and authors, is not something separate and apart from the Church or the Bride, but they are themselves of that blest company who by merit of personal reward for service rendered are thereby distinguished from those who have not so attained. Theirs is a "working out of their salvation," a "works by faith," which others though saved are void of and are therefore not rewarded with the same distinguishments and honors.

Her Trousseau

"And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white; for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints," Rev. 19:8. The language here used describes the garments as worn by the Bride who has become the "wife" of the Lamb, and who "hath made herself ready" for a uniting with the Lamb in that blest estate of matrimony; because she was clothed in righteousness. The Greek word used is "dikaionomata" from the causative word "dikalomai" meaning to make right, by an act of justice, the making good of a wrong. Those who have made good their wrongs, and have atoned for their sins by accepting the righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ, are those who for that reason and that alone are qualified for the uniting with Him into whatever holy marmonic and enrapt state is here mentioned. Her trousseau is therefore "righteousness," also mentioned as "fine linen" from the Greek word "bussos," meaning "from fine flax," or "fine linen." Bussos also means "the deep or bottom of the sea," the idea is therefore that the Bride's garments are a "deep flax or linen;" that there is no part that is not flax or linen; it is linen to the bottom. There are no sins or wrongs which have not been made right by restitution or confession through repentance and faith in the name of Jesus, whom she now claims to be her own and upon whose arm she now leans for eternal succor and repose. All has

been made right. As we told you before, to be ready for the rapture is to have "a lighted lamp." To be ready for the marriage of the Lamb, is to be clothed in His righteousness and to have your sins all under the blood, to be pure and clean, to be spotless and white. The stain and taint of the world will disqualify you for participation in this glorious event. Cleave unto Him and Him alone. "Keep thyself close by my maidens." It was for the lack of such a robing that the man who had entered the sacred wedding mentioned in the parable in Matt. 22:11-14, was cast out. Christ died for the sins of the whole world, which has, by act of His death, been called and commanded to repent, Acts 17:30; Jno. 3:16; 1 John 2:2. Only those whose garments are "fine linen" or are themselves clothed with righteousness are "chosen." Matt. 22:14; Rev. 3:18. It is certain that none will be in the rapture without a lighted lamp," and it is equally certain that none will be finally and fully united with the Bridegroom who is himself or herself not clothed in His righteousness.

The Marriage

How are we to arrive at what is the meaning of such language as must be here used to describe the uniting of the Bridegroom and Bride? Well may we shrink back from the task of explanation; well may we exclaim, "It is too wonderful for me." However, that we may have a further benefit, may we not "pull off our shoes" and tread softly onward, since He has held out the golden sceptre and has granted boldness to enter the "holiest of all" by His death on the cross? It is reasonable to deduce that the Church which was espoused unto Him (2 Cor 11:2) and was accounted as his "BODY" (1 Cor. 12:27) and which has been raptured into heaven itself where the exultation and uniting of the Bride and Bridegroom is to take place, is here, by some set of spiritual laws, united into and blended into some spiritual union that is greater than that unity shared by the Body and its Divine Head while the body was upon earth. Not only does it eclipse that unity as shared by the Body and Head while in its earthly composure, when it was said that "ye are all one in Him; ye are members one of

another;" but it is some grand and sublime advance, even beyond the joys and unity of a spiritual body and union brought about through the resurrection of the saint of God into a spiritual and heavenly order; it is a complete union of the Bride with the Bridegroom into all the fulness and oneness of His glory and riches. When all His treasure, His glory, riches and honor are incidentally acclaimed as belonging unto and shared with the Bride because she is particularly His, to me it seems to be the restoration of all the joys, riches, glory and honor as shared between God and the Son before there was a fall, here jointly through Christ shared with the entire creation.

The Home of the Bride

"And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God. Having the glory of God; and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb," Rev. 21:9-14. "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband," Rev. 21:1, 2. Such is the description given by John of the Bride the Lamb's wife. What is here more graphically and elaborately described, is the Bride or Church in her ideal state. What was mentioned as united unto Him in chapter 19:7, 8, is here pictured as inmates of the "holy city, new Jerusalem."

Its Economic Order

While we have divided the work of the Church dispensationally into the age of grace; placing the kingdom age during the millen-

nium, as we so understand the Scriptures; it is significantly evident that both are here particularly blended together into one economy. It will be remembered that both the church age and the kingdom age are past, with the descension of the holy city; and that the order of the new heavens and earth has followed the white throne judgment as mentioned in the 20th chapter. What we have here pictured in the holy city as representing the Bride, is neither the Church nor the kingdom saints, but both of them blessedly united together. The millennial kingdom of Israel as mentioned in Ezek. 40-48 chapters, has given away to the divine and holy city of God, and all the redeemed of both Jews and Gentiles are here sharing jointly the blessings of Jehovah-God. Such an interpretation is in harmony with the Abrahamic promise as recorded in Gen. 17:4, 5; Gal. 3rd chapter. Israel, Jehovah's adulterous wife, restored during the millennium, and the espoused Bride or Church of Jesus Christ are both seen sharing the blessings of redemption completed through Christ, Abraham's seed. We have stepped forward more than 3000 thousand years from Calvary, when the church age began, and Israel was fully and finally rejected until the kingdom was again reinstated; we have stepped forward more than one thousand years from the time of the instituted kingdom of heaven under Christ.

In the age of the new heavens and earth we do not behold Him

as King of the Jews as He once reigned over them in the millennial age; nor do we behold Him as King of the Church, nor yet as an espoused Bridegroom. What we have here pictured is Christ the King of Righteousness and King of Peace reigning in righteousness over both Jew and Gentile redeemed. That this is the correct analysis is evident from the very design and architecture of the holy city itself. The twelve gates and the twelve tribes beautifully and amply identify Israel as belonging to and as inmates of the holy city. The "twelve foundations" in which are written the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb, also evidence the fact that the Church is cohabitant with Israel in this blest and holy city. The city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth * * * the length and the breadth and the height of it are equal. The city is approximately 1500 miles square. This magnificent superstructure is so constructed and exalted as to take the place of the former temple, V. 22. It is illuminated by the presence of the glory of God and of the Lamb; and the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it. Every inmate of this glorious and holy city is described of John as forming part of the Bride. The holy city is incident to the redeemed creation itself and was also embraced in the promises of Abraham. Heb. 11:10. It is not so much who we are and what we are today, rather where we are going and are we ready for our places as designed of Him who worketh

all things after the counsel of His own will? Mark 10:40; Eph. 4:11.

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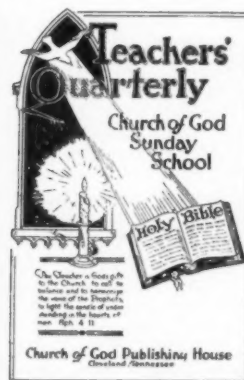
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LESSON 4

APRIL 22

OUR ALL FOR THE KINGDOM

TEXT: Matt. 19:16-30. — MEMORY VERSE: Matt. 6:33.

TIME: Probably March, A. D. 30. — PLACE: Perea.

GOLDEN TEXT: It is more blessed to give than to receive.—Acts 20:35.

LEADING THOUGHT: It is impossible to please the Lord without an unconditional surrender.

LESSON VERSE BY VERSE

AN INQUIRY

V. 16. "And behold." An exclamation denoting a sudden and unexpected occurrence. "One came and said unto him." Presumably as Christ departed from the house where He had blessed little children. The man was a ruler of the synagogue, according to St. Luke; he was therefore a man of noted piety during his youth. "Good Master." He possibly approached Christ with this expression with the view of winning Christ's favor or at least showing the light in which he regarded Him. "Good Master" is equally translated "Good Teacher." Christ does not appropriate goodness unto Himself but would have all men look to the Source of all creation, God. "What good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" He thought eternal happiness was obtained only by the performance of good deeds. We are not saved by good works but alone through grace which is certain as a result to produce good works.

THE REPLY

V. 17. "And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good?" What we may ask God will be questioned unless we ask it with the proper motive. The young ruler to admit that Christ was good necessarily must admit His divinity since all men except Christ were born in sin and shapen in iniquity. "There is none good but one." The answer is, that is God. He is the Source of all goodness and virtue. Man as compared with Him, "there is none good." "But if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." An answer to his inquiry in verse sixteen. They may be rigid and we may feel we have kept them when we have not. Life comes to us alone through obedience, hence the necessity of keeping the commandments.

V. 18. "He saith unto him, Which?" He had perhaps expected some theological discussion from Christ or otherwise felt that some commandments were more important than others. "Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness." Jesus quoted from the table of the law those commandments which he may have kept. They are first, a law of kindness; second, a law of purity; third, a law of honesty; fourth, a law of truthfulness.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

V. 19. "Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neigh-

bor as thyself." The first commandment to honor our father and mother demands true respect for our source and origin of being. The second commandment to love thy neighbor as thyself demands that we extend an acknowledgment of others appearing in the same light and from the same source as we ourselves.

A SECOND INQUIRY

V. 20. "The young man saith unto him, All these have I kept from my youth." He may have been pure and guileless so far as actual violation of the law in an outward sense, but Christ probes deeper than our understanding concerning the true nature of His commandments. "What lack I yet?" No doubt the young man felt in his heart a lack of something.

V. 21. "Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect." He may have lived morally good but he had not reached perfection, which demands that we be lacking in nothing, and required of Christ's disciples, chapter 5:48. It demands self-surrender and full trust in God. "Go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me." His riches were a stumblingblock in the pathway of life which hindered his perfection.

V. 22. "But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions." How did he acquire them? Had he really loved his neighbor as himself, and if he did, why did Christ demand him to sell his possessions? No doubt many poverty-stricken families were found in his own neighborhood. The fact that he went away sorrowful is evidence that Christ touched the vital spot, the place of corruption.

A SEARCHING REPLY

V. 23. "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you." He here places emphasis on what He is going to say next. "That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven." The inference is not that a rich man cannot become a Christian or be saved. It is hard to get them to give up their wealth and not to trust in uncertain riches.

V. 24. "And again I say unto you." A repetition because of necessity lest His first saying should be taken too lightly. "It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God." Some commentators refer to the needle's eye as a low gate of passage for footmen which would be almost impossible for the

camel to pass through. The impossibility of the rich man entering the kingdom of heaven according to Mark 10:24, is caused by his trusting in his riches instead of the saving grace of God.

V. 25. "And when his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed." It would seem as Christ was ruling out the rich and respectable and letting the paupers and vagabonds in. "Saying then, Who can be saved?" Perhaps all who are poor are struggling to become rich, which is in violation of the commandment prohibiting covetousness.

V. 26. "But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible." Jesus, beholding their amazement, answered significantly that "men in their own strength, relying on their own natural powers cannot save their souls or rise superior to the snares of riches."

V. 27. "Then answered Peter and said unto him." His answer was to call attention to their self-denial. "Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee." Perhaps they had not left much but had left all they had. Evidence points to the fact that they had not let their possessions hinder them in their pursuit of Christ. Andrew and Peter had their home in Capernaum and John also had a house in Jerusalem, where Mary found refuge. "What shall we have therefore?" Perhaps he was thinking of an important place in the kingdom as they later questioned the Lord, "Wilt thou at this time restore the kingdom again to Israel?" Acts 1:6.

REGENERATION

V. 28. "And Jesus said unto them." That is, to all the disciples and not Peter alone. "Verily I say unto you." If they had expected the kingdom of heaven to appear in world pomp in which they might have place, Jesus does not rebuke them but would further inform them of its true nature. "That ye which have followed me." Judas whose heart was not with the Lord, was here exempted. "In the regeneration." The word for regeneration means a new birth or renovation, renewal. It occurs in Titus 3:5. It is a spiritual washing and regeneration incident to entering the kingdom of heaven. "When the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory." Those who follow Him in spiritual regeneration cannot be fully rewarded until He receives His kingdom. "Ye shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. Those who have followed in the primary stages of the kingdom of heaven will help to administer its laws when it is actually set up. Dan. 7:9-22; 1 Cor. 6:2, 3.

V. 29. "And everyone that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake." That is, standing for the personality of that name, having surrendered earthly wealth and close relatives or friends which would divide or separate Him from them. "Shall receive an hundredfold." A reference to the many homes and wealth of those who later became Christians whose homes,

and wealth were put at their disposal and who by Christian bonds became their spiritual relatives. "And shall inherit everlasting life." Which is the crown of all spiritual attainments.

V. 30. "But many that are first shall be last." Used by Christ in chapter 20:16; Luke 13:30, it is meant to teach us that those who think themselves worthy of first place and highest esteem in God's favor, may actually be set last. "And the last shall be first." Those who feel themselves despised, less honorable and worthy, may in God's sight be placed in positions more worthy.

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write him in regard to this work any time at the above address.—I. H. Brabson, overseer of Virginia.

If any one has old Evangelists or tracts that you do not need, we will be glad to get them to hand out in jails, hospitals, etc., around Eldorado. Send them to Jack Wallace, 1205 Byrne St., Eldorado, Ill.

To whom it may concern: This is to notify the public that Miss Elizabeth Ebron is no longer clerk of the Church of God at Norfolk, Va. Any communications in the future please refer to Mrs. Florence A. Rogers, 1114 Jameson Ave., Norfolk, Va., clerk.

If any one has a gospel tent for sale, please let me know at the earliest date possible.—Mrs. J. W. Turner, Narrows, Va.

The Church of God at Perry, Okla. has changed clerks. The present clerk's address is Fred Nelson, Rt. 2, Perry, Okla.—P. D. Hoggatt, pastor.

The Church of God at Cramerton, N. C. will have a home coming Sunday, April 15, beginning at 9:00 a. m. Dinner will be served at the church. All are invited to come with a full basket. How is that for an invitation?—Faithfully, Eugene M. Bryant, pastor.

The Joplin district convention will convene at Brighton, Mo., May 31-June 3. Our state overseer, Brother W. J. Milligan, will be with us. All preachers, deacons, and clerks, do your best to be present. Bring as large a delegation as you can. Come on, Joplin district, let us make this a real convention. We are expecting the folk from Kansas.—W. D. Swartz, district pastor.

I have enough seven-foot side walls to go around a 40x80 tent. Will sell for \$20.00. If you are interested write me at once.—C. H. Shaw, 474 Fairview Rd., Biltmore, N. C.

There will be all day services and dinner on the ground the fifth Sunday in April. This will be home coming at the Alton Church of God. We cordially invite all churches in the Branford district and all

neighboring districts to come and bring a well filled basket of good things to eat. Let's have a good day together. We are looking forward to a feast of good soul food and not so much for the body as we need something that will strengthen us for God's service. Please pray lots that the blessed Holy Ghost will be in charge. Come on and be with us. — John Land, pastor, Alton, Fla.

The Church of God at Dunn, La. will have a home coming the first Sunday in May, the 6th. All the churches of North Louisiana are cordially invited. We will have dinner on the ground. Please bring a well filled basket, and say, don't forget to bring your pocketbook overflowing with financial victory as we intend to raise funds for a new church building. This applies not only to the North Louisiana district, but we cordially invite all the Church of God people to come and enjoy this feast with us. — Your brother, R. H. Klautdt, assistant pastor, Dunn, La.

This is just to notify you that we have changed the Church of God at Springvale, Ohio, to the Church of God Richmondale, Ohio, with Sarah Jane Woods, clerk.—Yours in Him, Herschel Dillinger, Dist. Overseer, Richmondale, Ohio.

The Church of God at Belfast, Me. will have all day meeting, also dedication of the church on April 22nd. Our state overseer will be in charge of the services.—Leslie Hesketh, pastor.

TENNESSEE STATE CONVENTION

The state convention for the Church of God in Tennessee will convene at the Bell Avenue church in North Chattanooga, April 26-29. Rooms and breakfast will be provided free for all delegates. A restaurant will be maintained in the basement of the church where meals will be served at a reasonable rate. The local church here extends a very pressing invitation to all the churches in Tennessee and sister states to attend.—Pastor, E. L. Simmons.

REQUESTS

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, please pray for me and my

wife. We are here trusting God to work things out for His glory. We believe in prayer and ask all to pray for us.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Brother and Sister Webb, Washington, D. C.

Please pray for a poor crippled woman here. She can't walk. Pray for her soul and body. She doesn't know the Lord as we do. Pray that He will save her and heal her. Also please pray for another woman in bad health. She doesn't know the Lord either. Pray for me.—Your sister in Christ, Mary Lynch, 104 Second St., Thomaston, Ga.

I want every child of God to pray for the church at Paint Fork, N. C., that God will hinder the enemy in trying to tear down the work. Brother Lamb is our pastor and I feel sure he is a real child of God. Pray for God to work here. Pray that I will stand true.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Lola Lovin.

Dear saints, pray earnestly for God to heal my son-in-law, John Cook, and save his soul. His lungs are in bad condition. I know the Lord is able to heal anything. I heard that their baby girl was very sick also. Pray for her. I am praying for God to send a Church of God preacher to their community. They live on Rt. 2, Cheektowaga, N. Y.—Angeline Fanin, Naugatuck, W. Va.

Please pray a special prayer for the Lord to heal me of gall bladder and stomach trouble. I know that He is able to heal the body that He has made. Pray that I may have a closer walk with the Lord. — One who loves the Lord, Mrs. Bettie Chrismond, Sunflower, Miss.

Dear saints everywhere, please pray for me. I have T. B. and I am almost past going now. I have been down but the Lord wonderfully touched my body and I'm up able to help do my house work. The doctor said I never could get well but praise our God, He has power over doctors and all things, and I know He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. He has healed me many times, once of appendicitis when the doctor said I would have to have an operation. I also have something wrong with my spine. Pray much for me and if any one feels led to fast and pray, please do so, and hold on to God until you get victory.—A sister

looking for the soon coming of our King, Patsa Mandola, Robinette, W. Va.

FT. MYERS DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Ft. Myers district convention of the Church of God, convened at LaBelle, Fla. Feb. 2-4. The presence of the Lord was felt from the very beginning. Friday evening the service opened with songs and prayers, and a welcome address was given by the local pastor, Brother E. O. Kerce. In response to this, Brother R. P. Johnson spoke the sentiment of all present, that wherever the Spirit of God is, we feel welcome. The district pastor, Brother P. W. Chesser, then delivered a good sermon.

An opportunity for testimonies was given during the Saturday morning service. These were followed by a soul stirring message by Brother R. P. Johnson, in the absence of Brother M. D. Alderman. Saturday afternoon service was devoted to ministers' conference, which consisted mainly of the discussion of questions and problems which confront the active ministry. Saturday evening Sister Maggie Chesser gave an address on "Importance of Young Peoples' Work." Brother J. C. Padgett then preached a very interesting and instructive sermon.

Short talks on Sunday School were given Sunday morning by the superintendents of the local Sunday Schools of the district. A very appropriate message was then delivered by our state overseer, Brother E. W. Williams. After enjoying all these good spiritual feasts, dinner was spread on a table under the oaks, for all present. Soon after lunch the congregation reassembled, at which time the report of the churches was given. These were very interesting, and the Florida churches are going over the top on the indebtedness drive. We were privileged to have the Bible School Quartet with us in the three Sunday services, and at intervals were favored by vocal and musical selections from them. The entire evening service was devoted to a musical program, rendered by the quartet. Brother W. W. Harmon, Overseer of Alabama, gave a short talk in behalf of the Church of God Bible School. Surely every visitor greatly appreciated the kind hospitality shown them while attending

the convention; and the manifold blessings of God will linger long in our memories. —Humbly yours, Lois Blanton.

DEATH NOTICES

WRIGHT

Mary Emma Wright, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace T. Wright of Bemiston, Ala., was born June 26, 1931 and died March 8, 1934. Funeral was conducted at the home by Brother W. W. Hall. —A friend, Beulah Johns.

COBB

J. J. Cobb, age seventy-three years, two months, and twenty-six days, died on March 10, 1934. Funeral services were conducted at Young Station, Ga. by Brother Johnson Brown and Brother R. S. Knight; interment was made at New Harmony. —His granddaughter, Beatrice Middlebrooks.

In memory of Martha E. Reed, Knoxville, Tenn.

MY OWN REQUEST

All you who love me will, when I am dead,

Look on my quiet face that laughed while it lived.

Restrain your hearts and give instead A gentle word, an understanding smile.

Oh, if you really love me do not cry To see me lying there, my laughter still ed.

Surely you know I can never die, I for whom every day is strongly filled With some sweet happiness. Gather me flowers

And pile them high for me to come to see.

They will remind my spirit of the hours Of joy I spent on earth. Think of me free Of body's pain, and you will find your grief

Changed to an overwhelming sweet relief. —Martha E. Reed.

SPECIALS

MILLEN, Ga. —A Church of God was set in order at Good Will community, Millen, Ga., Sunday, Mar. 25th. Three were added to the church and one was transferred from Cleto tabernacle. District overseer, Brother Gary Jackson, of Rocky Ford, Ga. officiated. The church here is laboring under adverse circumstances and requests prayer that it may be healed of many wounds inflicted by the en-

emy. We, the members of Good Will church, appreciate our membership with the Church of God. The people of the community greatly appreciate the work of the Church of God and will welcome its ministers any time they can come and work for the Lord. —Yours in Christ, B. H. Bragg, clerk, Rt. A, Box 127.

We praise God for His wonderful blessings to us. He is so good and His mercy endureth forever. We just closed a revival in which Brother O. B. Bolton did the preaching. I can truthfully say I believe he is a man of God. He surely did some good preaching while he was here. We all learned to love Brother and Sister Bolton and can recommend them to any one wanting an evangelist and wife for a revival. They aren't afraid to trust in God and will give forth the Word with boldness. In this revival seven were reclaimed, eight filled with the Holy Ghost. I don't know how many were saved and sanctified. The saints were revived and I think the church will move forward for God. Pray much for the church at Burkburnett. —Your sister in His service, Mrs. F. C. Warman, Burkburnett, Tex.

PROSTPROOF, Fla. —We praise our great and heavenly King for what He has done for us. Around eight months ago the writer felt the need of a place here to worship and knowing that God never fails to keep His promise, I began to pray and work, soliciting funds. Some said, "We can't," but I said God could so we went to work. At that time we had only a cabbage fan covered shack to worship in and that was on some one else's property but today we have a thirty by fifty-four church building. It is completed and we have an abstract deed for the two lots and a six room parsonage which is complete. There is an indebtedness of only \$321.00. We give God all the honor and praise. Last Sunday we had dedication services. We had a good day, with God's blessings poured out on us. We had our state overseer and his family, Brother Chesser and family, Brother R. P. Johnson, and many other visitors, including our district overseer, for which we thank God. Pray for us here for we need your prayers at all times. —Yours for lost souls, Loran V. Hall, pastor.

JESUS WAS IN OUR MIDST

The South Louisiana convention convened at Shepherds Fold March 20-23, with Brother J. B. Cole, our state overseer, in charge. The sweet presence of the Lord was felt from the first song Tuesday morning until the last good-byes Thursday night. Unity and fellowship prevailed during the entire time.

Tuesday morning after songs and prayer the welcome address was given by Brother W. G. Webb, overseer of this district. Responses were given by B. C. Erwin, Brother L. J. Potts, and Sister Kinzie Williams. We assembled again in the afternoon with songs of praise ringing in our souls. After the song service Brother Erwin led a testimony service. Every one seemed willing for the Lord to take charge. Brother Echols brought a good message and the service closed with prayer. Song service began again at 7:30 p. m., after which came the reports of the churches. The attendance of the pastors of this part of the state was one hundred per cent. Brother S. W. Latimer brought the message and the altar was filled with seekers.

Every one was back Wednesday

morning feeling refreshed. After song and prayer little Beasley Sharp, only eight years old, brought a message on "Prayer." It brought tears to the eyes of nearly every one present to see how the Lord used this little boy. Brother F. Ainsworth brought a wonderful message. After a short intermission Brother Howard Williams preached. Next came Brother E. J. Boehmer's message, which was truly enjoyed by all. After a drive for the Evangel we adjourned. We met again at 7:00 p. m. and after song service Brother Boehmer talked on "Missions." The sermon which followed was delivered by Brother Latimer and the altar service was wonderful.

Thursday morning after songs and prayer Brother Latimer spoke on the Orphanage and General indebtedness. The Y. P. E. program was conducted by Sister Iredell Walker. Each president gave a re-

port of his work. About one hundred fifty young people represented the six churches of Southern Louisiana. The service was splendid considering that the Y. P. E. in South Louisiana is in its infancy. Brother Latimer delivered the final message using for a text "He that overcometh shall inherit all things." Conviction seized the hearts of the people and the altar was filled. There was a revival spirit during the entire convention and we feel that much good was accomplished. Many other good things could be said but anyway we all feel it was one of the best we have ever attended because Jesus was in our midst.— Louisa Keating and Grace Keen.

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